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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER The past week was warm and dry in Nebraska bringing an end to the cold spell that had lasted over a month. Weekly temperatures averaged from eight to 14 degrees above normal. The snow cover was gone by the end of the week.

CROPS The warm temperatures melted most of the snow from wheat fields during the past week. This added some moisture to the dry top soil but more moisture is needed.

Snow cover in stalk fields was reduced to small areas where drifts occurred or areas where not exposed to the sun. Approximately 35 percent of the corn and milo stalk fields were pastured last week. At the same time about 25 percent of the diverted acres were grazed. Some of the fall wheat was pastured in the southwest but over the remainder of the State it was quite limited. Most ranges are now open for grazing. The increased availability of field forages and warm weather reduced the amount of hay and supplemental forages being fed. Nearly all areas reported adequate supplies of feed grain and forage supplies.

More outside work could be accomplished as about six days were favorable for work. Work consisted mainly of livestock care. Some other tasks accomplished were machinery repair, income tax and assessment filings, attending farm sales, and positioning feed supplies.

LIVESTOCK Livestock conditions are generally good. The weather was much more favorable for lambing and farrowing. Supplemental heat was necessary for young pigs. Feed lots became quite muddy from melting snow.

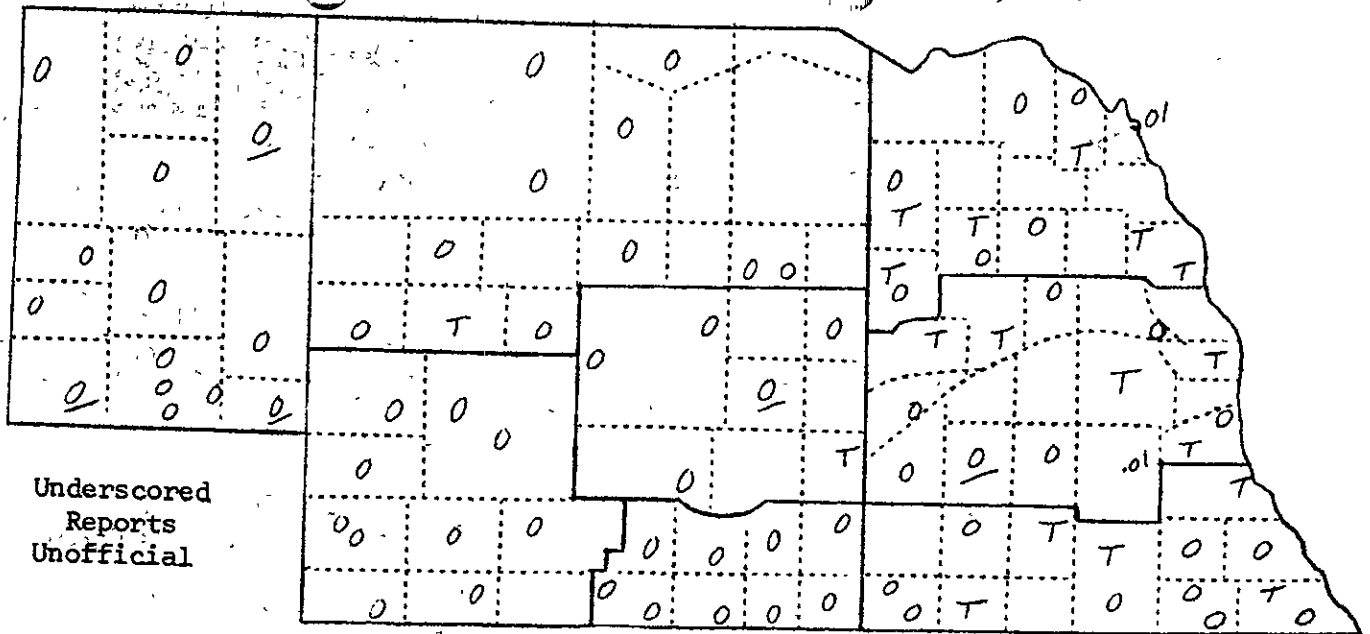
Inshipments of stocker and feeder cattle into Nebraska during December totaled 133,000 head, 1 percent below the December 1966 inshipments of 135,000 head. During 1967, 1,793,000 head of stocker and feeder cattle were shipped into Nebraska compared to 1,789,000 head during 1966.

Sheep and lambs brought into the State totaled 13,000 head during December or down 1,000 head from the previous December. Total inshipments of sheep and lambs during 1967 were 262,000 head, down 34 percent from the 1966 total of 400,000 head.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 21, 1968

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	0	Chadron	.01
Lincoln	0	North Platte	0	Imperial	0
Norfolk	0	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	.02
Omaha	0			Sidney	T
Sioux City	0				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 19, 1968



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		January 15th		16th		17th		18th		19th		20th		21st	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	45	27	50	22	40	16	38	19	46	26	49	22	49	31
	Scottsbluff	39	18	48	25	40	15	38	20	47	27	48	21	48	34
	Sidney	44	21	53	25	43	15	41	19	55	26	57	20	57	30
NC	Burwell	37	16	50	13	47	22	42	19	52	26	60	22	60	--
	Valentine	39	20	45	19	42	18	37	24	46	25	53	24	53	32
NE	Norfolk	26	10	42	22	45	30	41	23	50	27	55	24	55	30
	Sioux City	20	8	39	19	42	25	39	21	47	25	49	22	49	26
CEN	Grand Island	35	18	45	24	50	29	45	23	54	28	60	24	60	29
EC	Lincoln	30	19	43	34	46	32	45	29	50	34	58	30	54	33
	Omaha	25	12	39	29	43	28	40	23	48	31	49	27	49	31
SW	Imperial	45	23	55	22	49	24	40	18	57	27	58	24	58	29
	North Platte	32	18	50	16	52	20	42	18	50	--	57	16	57	21

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